

## **Amendments to the Claims**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (Amended) A method of sealing a gap between adjacent panel members, the method comprising providing an elongate strip of resiliently flexible material having a preformed line of weakness extending longitudinally along its length intermediate its opposite side edges, the strip being flat on opposite sides of said line; compressing the strip transverse its longitudinal axis to fold the strip about said pre-formed line of weakness; a line which extends longitudinally thereof intermediate its opposite side edges, inserting the folded strip fully into the gap to be sealed by transposing the strip transverse its longitudinal axis; access, and allowing the strip to partially recover its shape such that the opposite side edges of the strip engage respective opposite side edges of the adjacent panel members.
2. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 1, in which a strip is chosen having a colour which closely resembles the colour of the panel members.
3. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 1, in which a transparent strip is chosen.
4. (Amended) A method as claimed in any preceding claim 1, in which a strip is chosen which is V-shaped in cross section, with opposite sides of the V being brought together during insertion of the strip into the gap.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Amended) A panel assembly comprising two side-by-side panel members having a gap therebetween and a sealing strip filling the gap, wherein the strip is formed of a resiliently flexible material and comprises a pre-formed line of weakness extending longitudinally along its length intermediate its opposite side edges, the strip being flat on opposite sides of said line in its as-formed condition, opposite longitudinal side edges of the strip being comprises an elongate piece of resiliently flexible plastics material folded about a line which extends longitudinally thereof intermediate its opposite side edges and which has its opposite longitudinal side edges biased against the side edges of the respective adjacent panel members.

7. (Original) A panel assembly as claimed in claim 6, in which the strip has a colour which closely resembles the colour of the panel members.

8. (Original) A panel assembly as claimed in claim 6, in which the strip is transparent.

9. (Amended) A panel assembly as claimed in ~~any of~~ claims 6 to 8, in which the strip is V-shaped in cross section in its as-moulded condition.

10. (Amended) A panel assembly as claimed in ~~any of~~ claims 6 to 8, in which the strip is flat with a pre-formed line of weakness extending along its length about which the strip can be folded.